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SCHEMES FOR SMALL AND MARGINAL FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes under operation for small and marginal farmers in different States of the country; and

(b) the extent to which the farmers have been benefited by these schemes?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b) The Department of Agriculture and Cooperation do not make any distinction inthe availability of benefits to various categories of farmers including small and marginal farmers in States. However some of the schemes/components where under benefits flow to small and marginal farmers include the following:-

(1) Subsidy @ 90 per cent of the cost, subject of a ceiling of Rs. 25000 per hectare forinstallation of sprinkler irrigation systems and drip irrigation systems under various crop oriented production programmes.

(2) Assistance to the extent of 50 per cent of the cost of improved farm implements, or Rs. 1500 per equipment which ever is less, under the Oilseeds Production Programme.

(3) Subsidy of 50 per cent on premium under the Rashtriya Krishi Bima Yojana.

Since, the benefits under the schemes flow to the farmers both in a direct and indirect manner, it is not possible to quantify them separately.